

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 797

By Roberts

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Roy Anderson Apple of Greenbrier.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Roy Anderson Apple of Greenbrier; and

WHEREAS, Roy Apple was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Roy Apple served with acumen and alacrity in the United States Army Reserves from 1962 to 1968; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Apple began his career as a buyer for Harvey's Department Store and later owned and operated a small motel in Nashville; and

WHEREAS, from 1964 to 1986, Roy Apple worked for the DuPont Company in a variety of management roles, and from 1987 to 1993, he worked as a manager at the Old Hickory Credit Union, earning the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his professional endeavors, Mr. Apple served on the Robertson County Board of Education from 1974 to 1994, and in 1994, he was elected County Executive for Robertson County and served in such position until 2002; and

WHEREAS, additionally, Mr. Apple joined the Board of Directors Workforce Essentials, Inc., in 1998 and became chairman of the board in 2000, serving in such capacity until his passing; and

WHEREAS, Roy Apple evinced his religious faith as an active and devout member of the Hillcrest Church of Christ; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Apple was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Roy Apple was preceded in death by his loving wife, Ruth Apple; his parents, Clarence and Annie Mai Apple; and his sister, Anna Sue Hill; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Apple is survived by his sister, Leona Head; his daughter, Jennifer (Jeff) Bedwell; his sons, Craig (Wynne) Callis and Todd (Grace) Apple; his grandchildren, Jenny (Owen) Slaughter, Katie (Bryce) Davidson, Jordan (Taylor) Bedwell, Jeffrey Bedwell, Annie Apple (Mike Perkins), and Jacob Apple; his six great-grandchildren; his brother-in-law, Raymond Hill; and many nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Apple leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Roy Anderson Apple, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Apple.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.